

## Senior Enjoys Her Evening View From New Front Porch

### Outline Of Need:

Theresa Seeber has lived in her home in Chappell, Neb. for close to 45 years. Even though Theresa had taken good care of her home, time and the weather elements had made a great impact on her front porch. The cement had deteriorated to the point that there was an actual hole, about a foot in diameter, as you walked out onto the stoop. Outdoor carpeting covered the hole which made it even more of a hazard for those visiting and for Theresa herself.

At the age of 85 years, Theresa received only a social security check, which was only enough to cover day to day living expenses. A full rate loan to repair her front porch would have caused her an extreme financial hardship.

### How Rural Development Helped:

USDA Rural Development assisted Ms. Seeber through its Single Family Housing Direct Repair Loan program. Through this program, Theresa received an affordable one-percent interest rate, two-year repayable loan to assist her with a new porch for her home.

### The Results:

"I am so delighted with the loan USDA Rural Development provided to me. It is nice to not worry about my visitors or myself falling because of the hole in my porch. My house looks so attractive and I am back to enjoying my summer evenings from my front porch once again."

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**Seeber Front Porch BEFORE**



**Seeber Front Porch AFTER**

